

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

PCT/EP2004/011015

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 C12Q1/00

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Electronic data base consulted during the International search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	<p>WO 01/96538 A (BAYER AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT; XIAO, YONGHONG; GEDRICH, RICHARD) 20 December 2001 (2001-12-20) cited in the application the whole document</p> <p style="text-align: center;">----- -/--</p>	1-26

☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.

☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

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C.(Continuation) DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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A	<p>KIM D R ET AL: "Cloning and expression of novel mosaic serine proteases with and without a transmembrane domain from human lung<1>"</p> <p>BIOCHIMICA ET BIOPHYSICA ACTA . GENE STRUCTURE AND EXPRESSION, ELSEVIER, AMSTERDAM, NL, vol. 1518, no. 1-2, 19 March 2001 (2001-03-19), pages 204-209, XP004275877</p> <p>ISSN: 0167-4781</p> <p>cited in the application</p> <p>the whole document</p>	1-26
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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of Item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☒ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

Although claim 26 is directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.
2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this International application, as follows:

see additional sheet

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
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4. ☒ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

1-26 (part)

Remark on Protest

- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- ☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of Alzheimer; method for diagnosing Alzheimer, pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a MSP polypeptide for the treatment of Alzheimer; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of Alzheimer comprising the MSP polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of Alzheimer.

2. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of hematological diseases; method for diagnosing hematological diseases; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a MSP polypeptide for the treatment of hematological diseases; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of hematological diseases comprising the MSP polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of hematological diseases.

3. claims: 1-26

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of gastroenterological disorders; method for diagnosing gastroenterological disorders; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a MSP polypeptide for the treatment of gastroenterological disorders; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of gastroenterological disorders comprising the MSP polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of gastroenterological disorders.

4. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of endocrinological disorders; method for diagnosing endocrinological disorders; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a MSP polypeptide for the treatment of endocrinological disorders; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of endocrinological disorders comprising the MSP polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of endocrinological disorders.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

5. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of cancer; method for diagnosing cancer; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a MSP polypeptide for the treatment of cancer; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of cancer comprising the MSP polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of cancer.

6. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of inflammatory diseases; method for diagnosing inflammatory diseases; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a MSP polypeptide for the treatment of inflammatory diseases, pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of inflammatory diseases comprising the MSP polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of inflammatory diseases.

7. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of metabolic diseases; method for diagnosing metabolic diseases; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a MSP polypeptide for the treatment of metabolic diseases; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of metabolic diseases comprising the MSP polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of metabolic diseases.

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